WHAT IS CLAIMED IS

1. A fuel container of plastic material comprising

a container body having at least one welded seam,

a duct which at least partially penetrates at least one welded seam and extends in a longitudinal direction of the welded seam, and

means for filling the duct with air and venting same of air.

2. A fuel container as set forth in claim 1

wherein the welded seams are seam locations of the container body.

3. A fuel container as set forth in claim 1

wherein the container body has at least one opening and a cover and

wherein the welded seams are connecting seams between a wall of the container body in the region of the at least one opening and the cover.

4. A fuel container as set forth in claim 1

wherein the container body has at least one opening and a closure element, and

wherein the welded seams are connecting seams between a wall of the container body in the region of the at least one opening and the closure element.

5. A container as set forth in claim 1

wherein the duct has respective end portions and said means of the duct are respective connections at the end portions of the duct.

6. A container as set forth in claim 5

wherein the connections are provided with valves.

7. A container as set forth in claim 1

which is of a multi-layer structure having at least one barrier layer for hydrocarbons, which is completely embedded in the container body wall.

8. A container as set forth in claim 1

which was produced by extrusion blow molding of a multi-layer preform, having a wall in which at least one barrier layer for hydrocarbons is completely embedded,

wherein the duct was formed by openings in squeeze edges of the blow molding mold.

9. A container as set forth in claim 1

produced from first and second shell portions which are welded together, wherein the shell portions are respectively welded together at connecting flanges, and wherein at least one connecting flange has at least one groove-shaped opening forming the duct.

10. A container as set forth in claim 1

produced from first and second shell portions welded together,

wherein the shell portions are respectively welded together at connecting flanges, in each of which are provided in pairs groove-shaped openings forming the duct.

11. A container as set forth in claim 1

produced from first and second shell portions welded together at their ends,

wherein the shell portions define first and second peripherally extending steps and at least one duct is kept free between the steps of the shell portions.

12. A container as set forth in claim 9

wherein the shell portions were obtained by cutting open a blow-molded container.

13. A container as set forth in claim 1

wherein the seam of the container body is respectively penetrated in a portion-wise manner by a duct, and

further including a common venting conduit communicating with a plurality of duct portions.

14. A container as set forth in claim 1 and further including

a filter element operatively associated with at least one duct for filtered venting thereof.

15. A container as set forth in claim 14

wherein said filter element is an activated carbon filter operatively associated with the container.

16. A container as set forth in claim 1 and further including

means for pressure filling at least one duct with air.